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really passing this legislation, I'm sure that the Military and Government Committee would hold a public hearing on these bills and it would be in my opinion that, that we would take a real hard look at what's in these bills before they're passed, but I have no objections. I think probably we should follow the rules and that we should have a statement of intent on our desks before we introduce them so I would have no objection to that.

PRESIDENT: All right. Senator Syas. Okay. Thank you. Senator Mahoney, do you have further comments? Okay. Senator Barnett, back to you.

SENATOR BARNETT: Well Mr. President and Members of the Legislature, I'll be glad to do anything you direct me to do. If you want me to get a letter of intention on these, I'll be tickled to death to do that if it would help or we could have Vince read the titles of the ones before we ask for the introduction of them. I'd do whatever your pleasure is. If you would wish for a letter of intent, why don't we lay it aside so that I can get these for these men. If they're cautious about this as Senator Whitney says, he trusts the Secretary of State but he doesn't trust me, well then I'll be glad to give anything that he can weigh his trust back onto my side.—because I certainly don't have a sleeper, I was doing this for the Chairman. My sleeper is waiting for you.

PRESIDENT: Yeah, the Chair understands that. All right. Senator Proud, do you have a comment?

SENATOR PROUD: Mr. President. I don't necessarily trust anybody at any given time and therefore I ask unanimous consent that Senator Barnett get a written statement to be read to us from the Secretary of State as to why these bills are needed this session.

PRESIDENT: Well, Senator Proud, I'm not going to accept your motion right now until we have something to dispose of here, excuse me, until we dispose of Senator Barnett's motion. Senator Barnett, what's your pleasure regarding your motion? It's the property of the Legislature now.

SENATOR BARNETT: --I'd, I tell you what I'll do. I'll withdraw my motion so that Senator Proud can make his.

PRESIDENT: All right, now, Senator Barnett is asking unanimous consent to withdraw his--

SENATOR BARNETT: That's right --

PRESIDENT: -- suspension of the rules motion.

SENATOR BARNETT: I'll try to satisfy my good friend, Senator Syas and everybody else.

PRESIDENT: Okay. Are there objections to withdrawing the motion? Hearing none, so ordered. Now, Senator Proud, back to you. Do you want to--Senator Proud wants unanimous consent then to just delay the issue until we place a statement of intent on the desk. Senator Proud, is that correct?

SENATOR PROUD: Ye-yes, I just move if that's the procedure you want to use--that Senator Barnett get a letter from the Secretary of State as to whether or not we have to do this--introduce these bills these--this session in his opinion.

PRESIDENT: Very good. Thank you. It is so ordered. Senator Chambers, do you have further comment?